## **REMARKS**

This responds to the Final Office Action mailed on May 28, 2008.

Claims 1, 8, and 16 are amended; claims 3-5, 7, 9, 11 and 22-30 were previously canceled, without prejudice to the Applicant; as a result, claims 1-2, 6, 8, 10, and 12-21 are now pending in this application.

The amendments are made to place the application in condition for allowance. Moreover, Applicant does not believe that the amendments necessitate any new searching on the part of the Examiner. Consequently, Applicant believes that entry of the amendments is appropriate and respectfully requests an indication of the same.

Furthermore, example support for the amendments may be found throughout the original filed specification. By way of example only, the Examiner's attention is directed to the original filed specification page 7 lines 12-18; page 10 lines 9-26; and page 13 lines 25-30.

## §103 Rejection of the Claims

Claims 1, 2, 6, 8, 13, 16 and 17 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being anticipated by Subramaniam et al. (U.S. 6,081,900). It is of course fundamental that in order to sustain an obviousness rejection each and every limitation in the reference must be taught or suggested in the cited reference or proposed combination of references.

The Examiner asserts that some arguments presented by the Applicant were not (in the view of the Examiner) present in the independent claims and as such were given no consideration. Specifically, the Examiner asserts that the limitation of inspecting the content within the secure site was not present in the claims. Applicant has added this limitation to the independent claims and asserts that content is not pre-acquired and inspected within the secure site in the reference cited.

As such, Applicant respectfully requests that the rejections be withdrawn and the claims be allowed.

Claims 10, 12, 14, 15 and 18-21 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Subramaniam et al. in view of "Netscape Proxy Server Administrator's Guide

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Version 3.5 for Unix", 1997, hereinafter Netscape\_unix\_v3.5. These claims are dependent from the independent claims discussed above; thus, for the reasons enumerated with the remarks presented above with respect to the independent claims, the rejections of these dependent claims should be withdrawn. Applicant respectfully requests an indication of the same.

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 - EXPEDITED PROCEDURE

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In the interest of clarity and brevity, Applicant may not have equally addressed every assertion made in the Office Action, however, this does not constitute any admission or acquiescence. Applicant reserves all rights not exercised in connection with this response, such as the right to challenge or rebut any tacit or explicit characterization of any reference or of any of the present claims, the right to challenge or rebut any asserted factual or legal basis of any of the rejections, the right to swear behind any cited reference such as provided under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 or otherwise, or the right to assert co-ownership of any cited reference. Applicant does not admit that any of the cited references or any other references of record are relevant to the present claims, or that they constitute prior art. To the extent that any rejection or assertion is based upon the Examiner's personal knowledge, rather than any objective evidence of record as manifested by a cited prior art reference, Applicant timely objects to such reliance on Official Notice, and reserves all rights to request that the Examiner provide a reference or affidavit in support of such assertion, as required by MPEP § 2144.03. Applicant reserves all rights to pursue any cancelled claims in a subsequent patent application claiming the benefit of priority of the present patent application, and to request rejoinder of any withdrawn claim, as required by MPEP § 821.04.

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## **CONCLUSION**

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance, and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's representative at (513) 942-0224 to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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